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**(Attorney Docket No. DN38240R1)**

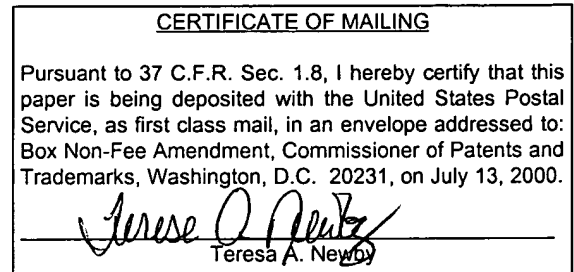
In the Application of:  
Durbin, et. al

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For: CODE READER PERFORMING  
CODED IMAGE DECODING  
USING NON-DEDICATED DECODE  
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**RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION**  
**DATED APRIL 13, 2000**

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 13, 2000 (Paper No. 14) regarding the above-referenced patent application, Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following remarks and further requests clarification for the grounds of rejection of the rejected claims:

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